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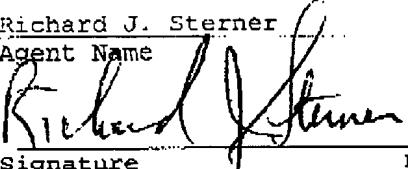
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed January 10, 2006. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks following.

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